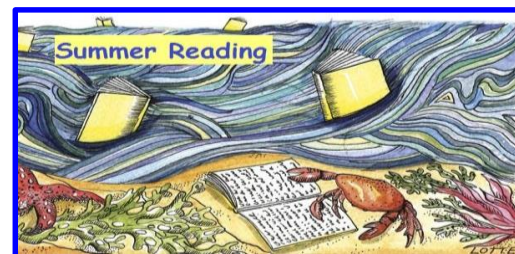
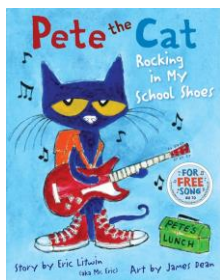


Lower School Library Resources – Summer Reading 2016

The library will offer summer borrowing again this year for students returning for the 2016/17 school year in August. Starting **June 8th**, This will allow students to borrow up to 15 books over the summer. Parents must sign the permission slips and return these with students who will be in Grades 2-5 in August. If your child will be in K1, K2 or Grade 1 in August, please bring the form to the library and select books together with your child. Permission slips can be downloaded from the library wiki <http://pathfindersisl.wikispaces.com/> and are also available in the library.



We have also prepared some reading suggestions and links to online resources available at <http://pathfindersisl.wikispaces.com/>. **These are suggestions not prescriptions.** Summer holidays should be a time for fostering a love of reading and ensuring children develop a lifelong reading habit. **Summer reading should be fun!** Although the titles are listed by grade, every child reads at their own level. Picture books can be read by older children and chapter books make excellent read-alouds for younger children.



The lists include old favourites and newly published titles. Some titles can be found in our library; others can be sourced from bookshops, on-line or from a public library. We have not included much nonfiction, but children love information books. Find out what your child is interested in and explore together, but let your child take the lead in choosing what to read this summer. E-books, audio-books, magazines, comics, graphic novels - as Pete the Cat would say, "it's all good."

Reading Tips for Parents

- Make time to read every day if you can. Read quietly together or read aloud. Model good reading habits - get caught reading yourself!
- The best way to read aloud is your way. Older children love listening to stories just as much as little ones. Share a book you loved as a child: your enthusiasm will shine through. Use different voices, ask a few questions (but not too many), take time to look at the pictures. And don't be afraid to stop if no-one is enjoying the story. Jim Trelease's helpful *Read-Aloud Handbook* offers further suggestions.
- Read aloud in your mother tongue as much as possible and encourage your children to read in their home language.
- Join the local public library if you are returning to your home country for the holidays - many will have summer programmes. Local bookshops often run story times or events during the summer as well.



If you have any questions, please visit us in the library or send an e-mail.

Most importantly, **READ, READ, READ!**